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April 28, 1997

Mr. Vernon Williams
Secretar
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recording with the Surface Transportation Board are a Memorandum of Lease and an Assignment of Lease, each dated 3/31/97, between the following parties:

Lessor/Assignor: Southern Illinois Railcar Co., L.L.C.
One Mark Twain Plaza
Edwardsville, IL 62025

Lessee: Lauhoff Grain Company
Danville, IL

Assignee: Bank One, Illinois, N.A.
One East Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, IL 62701

The equipment included in these transactions is listed on Exhibit A to the agreement.

Please record the Memorandum of Lease as a primary agreement and the Assignment of Lease as a secondary agreement thereto. The filing fee of \$48 is enclosed.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Oster

Mary Ann Oster
Research Consultant

Enclosure

Character parts May 2, 97

MEMORANDUM OF LEASE

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THIS MEMORANDUM OF LEASE (this "Memorandum") dated as of March 31, 1997, is made by and between SOUTHERN ILLINOIS RAILCAR COMPANY, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, with its chief executive office and principal place of business at One Mark Twain Bank Plaza, Suite 225, Edwardsville, Illinois 62025 ("LLC"), and Lauhoff Grain Company, a subsidiary of Bunge Corporation, a New York corporation, with an office at Danville, Illinois ("Lessee").

LLC and Lauhoff Grain Company hereby state the following:

1. LLC, as lessor, and Lauhoff Grain Company, as lessee, are parties to that certain Railcar Lease Agreement dated as of April 15, 1995, pursuant to which LLC agreed to lease covered hopper or other types of railcars (collectively, the "Leased Railcars") to Lessee (the "Lease"). The Leased Railcars shall be delivered to Lessee from time to time, and this Memorandum may be supplemented to identify the Leased Railcars on or about the time or times of delivery thereof.
2. The term of the Lease shall commence on January 1, 1996 and continue for a term of eight (8) years and shall expire on December 31, 2003.
3. As of March 31, 1997, the Leased Railcars consist of the covered hopper or other types of railcars set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Memorandum to be executed as of the date first above written.

WITNESS:

Elizabeth Schoenenberg

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS RAILCAR
COMPANY, L.L.C.**

By: [Signature]
Fred L. Parsons, Manager

By: [Signature]
Eugenia M. Parsons, Manager

By: [Signature]
Gary J. Goodman, Manager

WITNESS:

Robert L. Dunn

**LESSEE: LAUHOFF GRAIN COMPANY, A
SUBSIDIARY OF BUNGE
CORPORATION**

By: [Signature]
Its: Vice President

**Exhibit A to the Memorandum of Lease Agreement Between Southern
Illinois Railcar Company, L.L.C. and Lauhoff Grain
Company, a Subsidiary of Bunge Corporation**

Two hundred (200), 100-ton, 5,200-5,250 cubic foot capacity covered hopper railcars, with offset round hatches, gravity gates and unlined interiors, manufactured by Norfolk Southern Railways - Roanoke shops in 1965 and 1966 bearing reporting marks and numbers as follows:

SIRX 520048	SIRX 520088	SIRX 525027	SIRX 525068	SIRX 525108
SIRX 520049	SIRX 520089	SIRX 525028	SIRX 525069	SIRX 525109
SIRX 520050	SIRX 520090	SIRX 525029	SIRX 525070	SIRX 525110
SIRX 520051	SIRX 520091	SIRX 525030	SIRX 525071	SIRX 525111
SIRX 520052	SIRX 520092	SIRX 525031	SIRX 525072	SIRX 525112
SIRX 520053	SIRX 520093	SIRX 525032	SIRX 525073	SIRX 525113
SIRX 520054	SIRX 520094	SIRX 525033	SIRX 525074	SIRX 525115
SIRX 520055	SIRX 520095	SIRX 525034	SIRX 525075	SIRX 525116
SIRX 520056	SIRX 520096	SIRX 525035	SIRX 525076	SIRX 525117
SIRX 520057	SIRX 520097	SIRX 525036	SIRX 525077	SIRX 525118
SIRX 520058	SIRX 520128	SIRX 525037	SIRX 525078	SIRX 525119
SIRX 520059	SIRX 520129	SIRX 525038	SIRX 525079	SIRX 525121
SIRX 520060	SIRX 520131	SIRX 525039	SIRX 525080	SIRX 525122
SIRX 520061	SIRX 520132	SIRX 525040	SIRX 525081	SIRX 525123
SIRX 520062	SIRX 520134	SIRX 525041	SIRX 525082	SIRX 525124
SIRX 520063	SIRX 520136	SIRX 525042	SIRX 525083	SIRX 525125
SIRX 520064	SIRX 520142	SIRX 525043	SIRX 525084	SIRX 525126
SIRX 520065	SIRX 520143	SIRX 525045	SIRX 525085	SIRX 525127
SIRX 520066	SIRX 520145	SIRX 525046	SIRX 525086	SIRX 525128
SIRX 520067	SIRX 520156	SIRX 525047	SIRX 525087	SIRX 525131
SIRX 520068	SIRX 520158	SIRX 525048	SIRX 525088	SIRX 525132
SIRX 520069	SIRX 520174	SIRX 525049	SIRX 525089	SIRX 525133
SIRX 520070	SIRX 520188	SIRX 525050	SIRX 525090	SIRX 525134
SIRX 520071	SIRX 520195	SIRX 525051	SIRX 525091	SIRX 525135
SIRX 520072	SIRX 520197	SIRX 525052	SIRX 525092	SIRX 525136
SIRX 520073	SIRX 520200	SIRX 525053	SIRX 525093	SIRX 525137
SIRX 520074	SIRX 520212	SIRX 525054	SIRX 525094	SIRX 525138
SIRX 520075	SIRX 525014	SIRX 525055	SIRX 525095	SIRX 525139
SIRX 520076	SIRX 525015	SIRX 525056	SIRX 525096	SIRX 525140
SIRX 520077	SIRX 525016	SIRX 525057	SIRX 525097	SIRX 525141
SIRX 520078	SIRX 525017	SIRX 525058	SIRX 525098	SIRX 525142
SIRX 520079	SIRX 525018	SIRX 525059	SIRX 525099	SIRX 525143
SIRX 520080	SIRX 525019	SIRX 525060	SIRX 525100	SIRX 525144
SIRX 520081	SIRX 525020	SIRX 525061	SIRX 525101	SIRX 525145
SIRX 520082	SIRX 525021	SIRX 525062	SIRX 525102	SIRX 525146
SIRX 520083	SIRX 525022	SIRX 525063	SIRX 525103	SIRX 525147
SIRX 520084	SIRX 525023	SIRX 525064	SIRX 525104	SIRX 525148
SIRX 520085	SIRX 525024	SIRX 525065	SIRX 525105	SIRX 525149
SIRX 520086	SIRX 525025	SIRX 525066	SIRX 525106	SIRX 525150
SIRX 520087	SIRX 525026	SIRX 525067	SIRX 525107	SIRX 525151

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF MADISON)

SS:

On this 4th day of April, 1997, before me, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Fred L. Parsons, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is a manager of Southern Illinois Railcar Company, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, that said instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its managers, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said company.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF MADISON)

SS:

On this 4th day of April, 1997, before me, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Eugenia M. Parsons, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that she is a manager of Southern Illinois Railcar Company, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, that said instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its managers, and she acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said company.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF MADISON)

SS:

On this 4th day of April, 1997, before me, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Gary J. Goodman, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is a manager of Southern Illinois Railcar Company, L.L.C., an Illinois limited liability company, that said instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its managers, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said company.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF VERMILION)

SS:

On this 23RD day of APRIL, 1997, before me, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared A.C. SCHEETER, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the VICE PRESIDENT of LAUHOFF GRAIN CO., a ILLINOIS corporation, that said instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal

Deloris Benardin
Notary Public

